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Aye, free, off-han' your story tell,
When wi' a bosom crony;
But still keep something to yourself
Ye scarcely tell to any.

—Burns.

Having recovered from the Fraser
spasm, the town is ready to throw
a few fits for Frank Thompson's
benefit.

It is pretty safe to predict that
government by a military commis-
sion would be a guarantee against
prohibition among the commis-
sioners.

Think of the editors who would
probably have to go to jail, before
the people really settled down to
bear the galling yoke of Government
by Commission!

If the people of Honolulu wish
Government by Commission, there is
not enough of them to make them-
selves noticeable except from the su-
perabundance of noise one man is
able to create.

If the British budget is safe, all
the liberals and progressives of the
world over will be satisfied. With
that principle established, the Brit-
ish can turn to and fight all their
pleases on other matters.

Baron Komura's assurance of the
cordiality that exists between Amer-
ica, Japan, Russia and China is no-
tice to the world that these nations
are sitting on the lid hard. But
everyone knows that the diplomatic
pot is bubbling with possibilities.

What the Supervisors attempted
to do with the telephone company
in the interests of the people was
branded as a hold-up. Is the in-
junction suit brought by a compet-
ing company to go along as merely
a passage at arms between friends?

According to the editor of the Out-
look, there is no good reason why
America should not allow other na-
tions to do its ocean carrying trade.
He doesn't say whether these nations
to which so much of value is given
will also fight our country's naval
battles for us.

The style in whiskers is some-
what bewildering when aspirants for
political honors are about equally
divided among those who allow the
breezes of fashion to eliminate their
hirsute adornment and others who
fight the advance of time by wearing
their whiskers painted.

Before interfering with affairs in
Hawaii, wouldn't it be better for
Congress to give prohibition a thor-
ough test in the District of Colum-
bia? A strong fight has been made
for "dry" Washington, but Congress-
men seem slow to act where they
themselves would be greatly af-
fected.

THOMPSON, WOOLLEY AND WASHINGTON.

To "go off half cocked" and act
"half shot" is something the people
of Honolulu indulge in sometimes to
such an extent that they are credit-
ed with the habit.

Just why Attorney Frank Thomp-
son should send in a prohibition
scare cablegram like a Washington
bolt from the blue we don't know,
unless it be that he has not heard
from home recently and he thinks
we ought to be stirred up a little.
It may be, he believes the town is
suffering from ennui and should be
prodded up just for the pleasure he
would get from seeing the outfit
dance.

The people of the Territory of Ha-
waii are bitterly opposed to Govern-
ment by Commission. They are uni-
tely for Home Rule.

Members of Congress who have
visited the islands know this very
well, and if their comment and prom-
ises may be depended upon, they
fully agree with the local sentiment.

One of the complications of the
situation is the fact that some of
our citizens who have political and
personal axes to grind have endeav-
ored to make threats take the place
of argument, and incessantly harped
on the Commission plan. Thus have
they kept the idea before Congress
and certain people of the mainland—
who know little of Hawaii and care-
less—until they are in a state of
mind to accept the Commission gov-
ernment as a foregone conclusion.

Everybody knows the President is
in favor of wiping out the Territo-
rial status of the Hawaiian Islands.
He suggested it when he was Gov-
ernor-General of the Philippines; he
suggested it when he was Secretary
of War in the Roosevelt cabinet; if
he hasn't suggested it since he be-
came President of the United States,
it is not because he has changed his
views, but rather from lack of the
occasion.

This opportunity to make use of
the threat against the best interests
of Hawaii to work the President and
of Hawaii in order to work the Pres-
ident and Congress for the benefit of
a hobby he is paid to promote is what

Rev. Mr. Woolley has been trying to
grasp. It is the game that he went
on to Washington to play.

How far Mr. Woolley has been
successful is all pure surmise so far
as the cablegram of Frank Thomp-
son is concerned.

What we do know is that the pro-
hibition agitator in Washington is
a paid agitator, and he is being paid
by people in the Territory of Ha-
waii. That these people do not rep-
resent the sentiment of the majority
of a fair-sized minority of our
citizens has been demonstrated more
than once by definite and clear-cut
expressions.

The presence in Washington of
Mr. Woolley is a constant menace to
the Territorial status of these Is-
lands. If he carries his cause, the
end of home rule for Hawaii is in
sight—not alone home rule so far as
counties and parties and politics are
concerned, but home rule as regards
policies affecting the plantations and
other enterprises from a part of the
profits of which Mr. Woolley is now
being sustained in Washington.

The Bulletin believes that the
Delegate understands the situa-
tion very well and will lose no op-
portunity to promote the interests
and answer the demands of the
people.

CITIZENS DECLARE VIEWS ON THREAT OF FEDERAL CONTROL

(Continued from Page 1.)

preponderance of opinion is strongly
opposed to the idea of the Federal
government imposing a commission
form of government on Hawaii or
interfering in the administration of
the liquor law. The views expressed
are as follows:

E. D. Tenney—If the people of
this Territory are ready to give up
the rights and privileges of self-gov-
ernment, I don't know as it makes
much difference what they "pass in
Washington; but if they are still
disposed to govern themselves, I am
very much opposed to the move that
has been suggested regarding the
liquor laws. But none of us know
anything definite yet.

George P. Castle—Let the people
of the islands exercise their privilege
of self-government in a manner to
control the liquor traffic so that the
native Hawaiians and the soldiers
shall be saved from its most evil in-
fluences. If our own people do not
do this, I wouldn't answer for the
future and the probability of govern-
ment by commission.

W. M. Giffard—I think if the peo-
ple here would tend more to busi-
ness and do less huzzabuzzing and
petty politics, it would be better for
all concerned and they would have
no reason to fear the prospect of gov-
ernment by commission. It seems to
me we should rule ourselves right.

Wm. Lanz—It is impossible for
me to understand why any govern-
ment should pass a law that would
wipe out property and establish in-
dustry without giving those who had
invested in it some reimbursement.
They couldn't do that in my coun-
try. I can't imagine Congress pass-
ing a prohibition law when we don't
need it.

Paul Super, secretary of the Hon-
olulu Y. M. C. A.—I would like to
see the Federal government have
control of the liquor traffic, as ex-
perience in the past has shown that
liquor interests are too strong in
the Senate to secure prohibition.

Fred T. P. Waterhouse—The most
important feature of this question is
the controlling of our own affairs. I
am opposed to Government by Com-
mission, because we are capable of
looking after all local questions. I
think the liquor traffic should be
under strict control, and I believe
that it can be satisfactorily con-
trolled under our local form of gov-

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ernment.

B. F. Dillingham—I feel that the
people controlling the liquor busi-
ness should see to it that there is
no such outcry as has been made here
recently. I am not in favor of the
present time of Government by Com-
mission. It might be the best for
the interests of the country, but I
am not convinced as yet. I would
rather see prohibition than the
wholesale killing of Hawaiians by
the ready sale of liquor. Hawaii has
been managed both politically and
otherwise in a marked degree of ef-
ficiency in the handling of Territo-
rial affairs. The liquor question is
a world-wide problem. What we
have to do is to get together like
men and root out the evil ourselves.

M. A. Gonsalves—I think we have
men here in whom we can place ab-
solute confidence, and who will con-
trol the affairs of the Territory far
better than any other body of men
who are unfamiliar with the Terri-
tory. I do not favor the Federal
government taking the matter into
their own hands. I think it is a
political movement.

J. D. McInerney—I have always
been in favor of Government by Com-
mission, but after having seen the
results in Oklahoma and in Galves-
ton, Tex., I believe in letting well
enough alone.

W. W. Hall—The law that we
used to have and which was made by
Hawaiian chiefs, prohibited Hawai-
ians from purchasing liquor. During
the reign of Kalakaua the law al-
lowing everyone to use liquor was
enacted. Since that time the death
rate among Hawaiians has been tre-
mendous. I most certainly favor the
Federal government controlling the
liquor traffic, rather than see the na-
tives wiped out by the wholesale use
of liquor. I do not approve of ab-
solute prohibition, but as the police
do not enforce the present excellent
laws, I favor Federal control. This
would indeed be a Paradise of the
Pacific if it were not for the liquor.

F. W. Milverton—It is true prob-
ably that errors of judgment have
been made in some instances, but
judging from ultimate results, the
local administration of affairs on the
whole has been successful. It is
recognized that the commission form
of government as adopted in sev-

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eral municipalities on the mainland
has many features to commend it,
and the fact that in such municipali-
ties the commissioners are elected by
the direct vote of the people elimi-
nates any objection that the commis-
sion is not a representative body.
The form of commission that pre-
sumably would be provided for these
islands, however, would not be rep-
resentative in any sense of the word.
The commissioners would be ap-
pointed by the President, the great
mass of the citizens and taxpayers
here would not be consulted in the
selection, and the whole system
would be contrary to the fundamen-
tal principles of our government,
un-American in the extreme, and
adapted only to a people of a low
degree of civilization who are un-
able or unfit to properly manage
their own affairs. I believe that
Mr. Judd is somewhat of an alarmist
in stating his belief that a military
commission may be provided for the
island of Oahu. Whatever may be
the probability of a civil commis-
sion being established, it can not
logically be contended that any con-
ditions exist or can reasonably be
anticipated that would warrant the
establishment of military rule here.

Alexander Home Ford—Govern-
ment by Federal commission is the
first step toward dictatorship. First
the Territories would be governed by
commission; then the States. This
would be a splendid thing for J. P.
Morgan, for the money power would
then control absolutely. Government
by Commission is but a step toward
making another Mexico of these
United States. In Mexico, President
Diez appoints nominees for govern-
orships and they must be elected.
Humboldt, 100 years ago, predicted
that America would eventually annex
Mexico and then crumble to pieces,
as she would not be able to absorb
the Latin. Today, America, owing
to unrestricted immigration, is be-
coming more Slav-Latin than Anglo-
Saxon. The Latin races will submit
to a dictator.

Clarence Crabbe—In my opinion
there is no immediate fear from a
Government by Commission for Ha-
waii. As I understand the matter,
the time may arrive here within the
next fifteen or eighteen years, as the
large percentage of native-born Ja-
nese and Chinese become grown up
and become eligible to the elective
franchise that a Government by Com-
mission would be desirable. I for
one would welcome such a govern-
ment at that time, and I presume
that there would be very few who
would care to reside here under the
administration by Asiatics. The Con-
gressmen who visited Hawaii some
six months ago were, so I under-
stood, bitterly opposed to substitut-
ing the commission form of govern-
ment for that which we now have.

John C. Lane—I am opposed in
every sense of the word that could
be applied to a Government by Com-
mission for this Territory. Hawaii
in her history in the past, under

monarchical, provisional and repub-
lic form of government, has proven
that the people of these islands are
well fitted and able to conduct the
affairs of Hawaii. And we are
now under the Stars and Stripes and
have shown that we are able to man-
age and conduct the affairs of popu-
lar government, and especially since
annexation, as the Republican party
controls the administration of the
Territory. I can not see how we
could possibly agree and feel that
a commission government would pro-
mote the best interests of Hawaii nei-
ther politically and commercially. I am
always for a government of the peo-
ple, by the people and for the people,
and in the hope to live and see Ha-
waii admitted as a State.

W. C. Achi—I don't want to make
any statement about the commission
government without studying the sub-
ject intelligently. It is unwise for me
to attempt to say something about the
Commission Government without
knowing thoroughly what it means.
It is true that I am interested in the
welfare of the government, but as the
Commission Government is a new
thing to us here, it is proper to study
the subject first before making any
statement for publication. In regard
to the prohibition bill, I will have to
look it up before I can express my
opinion.

J. M. Poeppoe, editor of the Ke Aloha
Aina—Personally I am opposed to the
Government by Commission. That
form of government is entirely a new
thing to the people in Hawaii. I
believe the only salvation for the peo-
ple here, in order to prevent the Com-
mission Government from controlling
affairs here is to harmonize the polit-
ical feeling now in existence between
the party leaders and their followers.
All the political elements here should
be harmonized; that is, there should
be no party distinction in Hawaii. All
the voters should be permitted to vote
as they please, without compulsion or
dictation by the party leaders. If the
Hawaiians would only place their con-
fidence in men who are possessed of
substantial means the country would
prosper more extensively. Let all of
us, irrespective of our political differ-
ences, work for the common good of
all. Hawaii will then be safe.

D. Kalauokalani, Sr., editor of the
Kuokoa Home Rule—I am most em-
phatically against government by com-
mission.

In his editorial which appeared in
the Kuokoa Home Rule today—I am
strongly opposed to the Commission
Government. If such government
should control the local affairs it would
be a hardship to the Hawaiians. This
agitation by a certain class of people
to place Hawaii under the control of
commission government is a great mis-
take. It would not help those who
are living in Hawaii commercially or
otherwise. The privilege of the peo-
ple which has been theirs in the past
will cease to exist. It is against the
Constitution of the United States, the
land of the free and home of the
brave. Let us those here in Hawaii,
be free men and women.

CONFORMITY in a sense to the
merger idea, and with a view to ex-
tending its wireless telephone and tel-
egraph system, especially the former,
as an aid to marine traffic, the Pacific
Radio Company, whose headquarters
are in Seattle, has secured an option
on the plant and franchises of the
Universal Wireless Telegraph and
Telephone Company of San Francisco.
John H. McCarty is president of the
San Francisco concern. The deal in-
volves an outlay on the part of the
Radio people of \$500,000. The Pacific
Radio Company is a subsidiary of the
general Radio Company, which has a
wireless telephone commercial service
in operation. The American fleet car-
ried its radio instruments on its mem-
berable cruise around the world. The
Pacific Radio Company is proceeding
with the establishment of a com-
mercial service in the coast and Rocky
mountain States, and it expected that
by the end of the year there will be at
least twenty towers for long distance
service between Vancouver and Los
Angeles.

A FINE of \$500 has been made
by the Collector of Customs at Se-
attle on the steamer Bellingham of
the Puget Sound Navigation Com-
pany for operating without the com-
plement of crew called for by her
certificate of inspection. The certifi-
cate calls for a master and two
mates, and by consent of the local
inspectors the second mate has been
an unlicensed man on vessels where
he does not have to stand a watch.
Supervising Inspector John Berming-
ham of San Francisco upheld the
local inspectors, but Supervising In-
spector-General Uhler at Washing-
ton held that when a certificate called
for a mate that mate must be a
licensed man. There are half a
dozen steamers owned by the Puget
Sound Company involved, as well as
other vessels, and the Bellingham is
being used as a test case. The com-
pany has appealed from the decision
and it is now before the Federal
courts.

A RACE from Cape Horn to the
Golden Gate by the American ship
William P. Frye and the British ship
Dunsyre was won by the Frye, ar-
riving only 55 minutes ahead of the
Dunsyre. The ships were in com-
pany off the Horn, sixty days ago,
and the crews of both vessels were
enthusiastic when a favoring breeze
carried them forward, only to be
separated. They were not again
sighted by each other until they ar-
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EVENING SMILES

Schmidt's wife, being very ill, was
sent to the hospital. A few days later
he met a friend on the street who in-
quired after his family, when the fol-
lowing conversation took place:

"Mine wife, she gone mit the hos-
pital."

"You don't say so! Vat's de mat-
ter mit your wife?"

"Oh, I don't know. De doctor say
she is improving."

"Haf you seen her yet, already?"

"No, de doctor say she is too sick."

"Vell, you must look after dot. You
must see how she is efray day."

"Yes, I vill do so."

The next day he sought out the doc-
tor and inquired:

"How is mine wife today?"

"Your wife is improving."

"Vell, vat is de matter mit mine
wife?"

"Oh,